**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:** 

Please amend the specification as follows:

In the ABSTRACT:

Managing a virtual private network includes providing a graphical user interface configured to

display at least one link for each of a plurality of computers offering virtual private network

functions. A system and method for managing a virtual private network. The system and

method include a graphical user interface. The graphical user interface is configured to display

at least one link for accessing, via the internet, a web-page associated with a switch offering

virtual private network functions.